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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

10 Maher Fakih and Souheila Fakih,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 Carl C. Risch, Assistant Secretary for
14 Consular Affairs, U.S. Department of
State, et al.

15 Defendants.

Case No. 2:20-cv-01961-RFB-NJK

16 **Joint Stipulation Requesting the Court to
Stay Proceedings**

17 The parties, by and through their respective counsel of record, stipulate and request
18 that this Court stay all deadlines in this matter based on the following:

19 1. On November 2, 2020, Plaintiffs filed a Complaint (ECF No. 1), requesting
20 the Court to issue of writ of mandamus that compels Federal Defendants to adjudicate the
21 immigration visa application of Souheila Fakih.

22 2. Plaintiffs served Federal Defendants on February 1, 2021. The deadline for
23 the Federal Defendants to answer or otherwise plead in response to Plaintiff's Complaint is
24 April 2, 2021.

25 3. Counsel for the parties are currently discussing the potential adjudication of
26 Mrs. Fakih's visa application, which may render this lawsuit moot. The parties request that
27 the Court stay this matter pending potential resolution. If the parties can resolve this
28 matter, they will promptly file a stipulation of dismissal.

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4. Parties further request that the Court schedule a status conference in 90 days or another time it deems appropriate if the parties have not entered a stipulation of dismissal.

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Respectfully submitted this 23rd day of February 2021.

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United States District Court

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DATED this 1st day of March, 2021.